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**TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

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Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith is a Response to Restriction Requirement of Bunya Sato in the above-identified patent application.

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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

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This amendment is being filed in response to the Office Action dated December 8, 2005. Please reconsider the application in view of the amendment and remarks presented below.

**ELECTION OF SPECIES**

In the Office Action, the Examiner requested an election of species pursuant to a restriction requirement under 35 U.S.C. §121 between Species 1 - Figs. 1, 3; Species 2 - Fig. 4; Species 3 - Fig. 5; Species 4 - Fig. 6; Species 5 - Figs. 7-9; Species 6 - Fig. 10; Species 7 - Fig. 11; Species 8 - Figs. 12-14; Species 9 - Figs. 15-18; Species 10 - Figs. 19-20; Species 11 - Figs. 21-23; Species 12 - Figs. 24-25; Species 13 - Figs. 26-28 and Species 14 - Fig. 29.

In response, Applicant hereby elects Species 1 - Figs 1 and 3 and Claims 1-8 reading on Figs. 1 and 3 for further examination. Applicant reserves the right to demonstrate whether an allowed claim is generic to any withdrawn claims.

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